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At the Tirana airfield, the largest and bestequipped in Albania, the Soviets set up modern aircraft assembly shops. No Albanian technicians are permitted to enter these shops which are operated exclusively by Soviet technicians who assemble the aircraft parts shipped from the USSR.

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- 1. The reorganization and modernization of the Albanian Army as far as units and numerical strength are concerned have not been accompanied by the issuance of new and modern weapons.
- 2. The Soviets appear to be hesitant to supply new materiel of this type. In fact, the small quantity that has been shipped to Albania by the USSR is still stored in special depots controlled by the Soviets, and is used only in the training of recruits.
- 3. In this connection, training with the Soviet-supplied weapons does not apply to the sons of political refugees or to persons suspected by the regime. Instead, most of these recruits are assigned to barracks duties or to the construction of new houses for Soviet or Albanian officers at Durres and Tirana.

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Comment: Later information would seem to indicate that the reported Soviet plan to furnish the Albanian would seem to indicate that the reported poving pich.

Army with modern and standardized equipment was substantially already being 50X1-HUM put into effect.

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